

#### **CALL FOR PAPERS**

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### INVITE YOU TO

## The 66th International Congress of Phenomenology

Milan, Via Carlo Bo 1 October 27-28-29, 2022 (held in a blended mode)

TOPIC:

Eco-Imagination for a Sustainable Future

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The aim of the conference is to explore the role of imagination in forming and interpreting our worldin-transformation in view of a sustainable future. The classical phenomenological approach to imagination has focused on the different modes in which we can experience the world and the correlating modes in which the world can appear to us, so that the imagination was strictly conceived in relation to perception. Furthermore, imagining can be considered as an act of experiencing something as possible, opening the virtualities that are latently present in the world. This is particularly true if we consider the life-world and the processes of individualization on the vital level. Using Tymieniecka's words, the ontopoietic spread of the Logos of Life appears caught up in the turmoil of generative progress that implies a creative imagination that enable the human being to go beyond the simple framework of the life-world, to surpass himself and open a new form of design thinking. This kind of imagination can be also defined as eco-imagination, stressing the importance of the "ecological" dimension of imagination conceived as an ontopoietic creative dynamic, grounded in the human condition within the totality of life's spread. The expansion of the human condition is thus based on the eco-imagination that activates creative virtualities and thus relates to reality in a new way, deepening the productive dynamic of life. Such an eco-imagination seems therefore to be a useful tool to frame in a new and profitable way our living, or rather the relationship that we have with our world-environment. Eco-imagination is thus the privileged way to the ontopoiesis of life conceived as an eco-phenomenology. A new form of phenomenology of life arises based on eco-imagination in relation to a more general eco-phenomenology. It means a new way of considering the development and genesis of life, promoting environmental sustainability conceived on a large scale.

Contributions that take an interdisciplinary approach are particularly encouraged. All submissions must specifically identify phenomenological aspects of the work.

The conference welcomes contributions in different topics of interest, but are not limited to:

- Environment imagination
- Imagination and eco-phenomenology
- Eco-imagination and sustainability



- Imagination in the autopoiesis/ontopoiesis of the living being
- Architecture, urbanism, and eco-imagination
- Virtual realities and eco-imagination
- Eco-systems and media environments
- Anthropocene and eco-imagination
- Elemental imagination
- Abstracts due: July 31, 2022
- Full papers due: January 27, 2023
- Registration Fee: **50.00 Euro**
- Please note that all participants are expected to be members of the World Phenomenology Institute. Membership dues are **30.00 Euro** per year
- Registration fee and membership dues must be paid to the W.P.I. by October 29, 2022 to the account no. 67503173, in Daniela Verducci's name, at Banca Fideuram Spa, Via D. Annibali 112, 62100 Macerata (Italy). IBAN: IT13C0329601601000067503173 SWIFT/BIC: FIBKITMM
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The conference will be held both in person and on-line.

Papers will be considered for publication in the two peer-review books series: *Analecta Husserliana, The Yearbook of Phenomenological Research* and *Islamic Philosophy and Occidental Phenomenology in Dialogue*. Both series are edited by the World Phenomenology Institute and published by Springer Nature.